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20. (Amended) An integrated circuit assembly comprising:
- first means for electrically coupling a packaged integrated circuit to a printed circuit board;
 - second means for directly electrically coupling the packaged integrated circuit to a second packaged integrated circuit without coupling through the printed circuit board.

28. (New) The integrated circuit assembly as recited in claim 20 wherein high speed signals are routed over the second means and wherein power, ground and slower speed signals are routed over the first means.